

HS2 Euston station newsletter

Construction Update | Spring 2024

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A message from the HS2 Euston Project Team

Welcome to our first newsletter of 2024 where we will provide an overview of upcoming utility works and important milestones.

Specifically, this newsletter will detail:

- **The opening of Euston's new Taxi Rank** – opened on Sunday 7 April 2024.
- **Planned utility works** – including works taking place this summer on Hampstead Road. These works are part of the ongoing enabling works to prepare for a future station.
- **What's happening behind our hoardings** – detail of the works that are continuing behind our hoardings.
- **Works updates from SCSjv** – an update on works taking place in Euston by SCSjv.
- **MDjv Temporary staff entrance** – staff will be moving into a new site building at the former Maria Fidelis school from April 2024 which will be accessed by a temporary entrance on Cobourg Street.
- **Temporary uses updates** – an update on temporary uses of MDjv sites where construction work is currently paused.
- **Upcoming community engagement** – future engagement opportunities and how you can get involved

Please read the rest of this newsletter for detailed updates on the above. For further updates on works in your area, please visit: www.hs2.org.uk/Camden



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Euston's taxi rank for hackney carriages is moving to a new location in the former Euston Square Eastern Gardens



Image of Euston's new taxi rank

Euston station's new taxi rank opened on 7th April 2024, it is located in the former Euston Square Gardens East. The new rank has been created to enable the construction of a future HS2 terminus at Euston.

Taxis (Hackney carriage) will pick up and drop off outside the front of the Bus Station adjacent to Eversholt Street and Euston Road. The new location maintains direct access to and from Euston Station and new signage will be in place to help guide passengers to the new location.

Key features of the new taxi rank include:

- Improved signage and wayfinding to and from the station concourse
- New planting and greening features
- Overhead canopies
- Widening of junction to improve pedestrian crossing
- A new passenger help point
- 36 ranking spaces
- 120 cycle spaces

For those who require mobility assistance, **two existing drops and pick up spaces will remain in their current location in Euston Square Gardens West.** Staff will be on hand in both locations to provide directions and assistance. Private hire vehicles can continue to drop off only at this location.

The Southern end of Euston Square Gardens West will become a temporary green open space, whilst maintaining a walking route through to Euston Station, please visit: [Temporary uses at Euston - HS2](#) for updates regarding temporary spaces. For more information about decommissioning works within Euston Square Garden West please refer to page 8.

Thames Water Works – Hampstead Road

We wrote to you in February 2024 (**reference: HS2-MW-MD-Ph1-Eu-St-S3-UT-TW-02-26/01/2024**) to inform you of the new water main commissioning taking place in Cumberland Market and Robert Street. To enable this to take place we will install a valve on the existing watermain on Hampstead Road. The works will take place in the southbound carriageway for three months as detailed below:

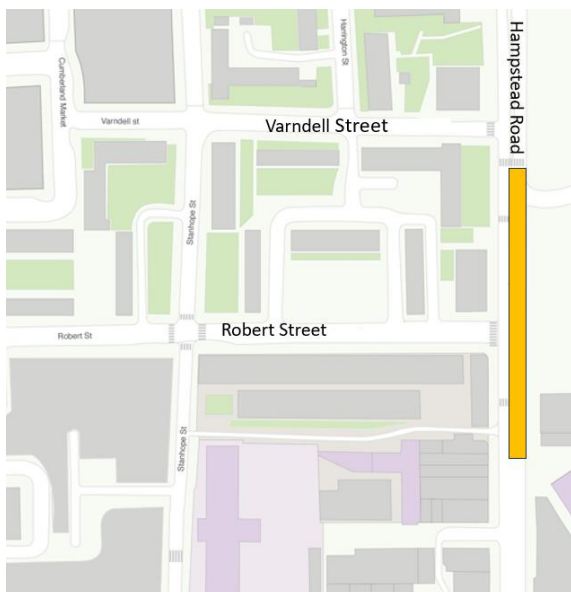
- Installation of new valve on existing water main in Hampstead Road
- Installation of cross connection between existing valve and newly installed water main
- Construction of concrete thrust block beneath the existing main

These works will commence on **Monday 22 April 2024** and are anticipated to be completed by Friday 19 July 2024. Working hours will be Monday to Friday, 8am to 5pm (with set-up and close-down activities one hour before and after normal working hours).

Traffic Management

The following traffic management will be in place during the duration of these works:

- Southbound lane closure on Hampstead Road between the junctions of Cardington Street and Prince of Wales Passage
- Temporary traffic lights, including a pedestrian crossing phase on Hampstead Road
- Vehicle closure of Robert Street
- Local diversions in place



Orange section on map showing location of works

Duration of works

- 22 April 2024 to 19 July 2024

What to expect

- Temporary worksites where work is taking place
- Traffic management in place

What we will do

- Maintain pedestrian access at all times
- Aim to reduce noise and vibration as reasonably practicable
- Keep all sites safe and secure

Please note that once the watermain connections works on Cumberland Market and Robert Street are complete by June 2024, **Robert Street will remain closed until the works are completed in July 2024**. This is to ensure the safety of cyclists and how they interface with vehicles on Hampstead Road. Traffic management will be kept to a minimum by using weighted water bags to indicate the closure to vehicles.

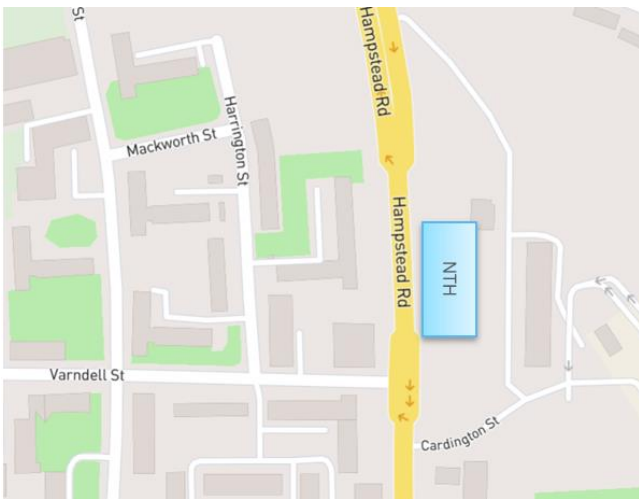
What's happening behind our Hoardings

Essential works continue to take place behind our hoardings throughout Euston which are detailed below.

National Temperance Hospital (NTH) Cabin Removal

When we wrote to you in December 2023, we informed you of the expansion of the NTH Gardens open space on Hampstead Road.

In order of us to carry out this expansion, the cabins at the back of the site will need to be removed. This removal is anticipated to take place from **28 May until mid-June 2024** and will require the temporary closure of the gardens during this time.



Map showing location of NTH site

Traction Substation (TSS) Works

MDjv have constructed a new traction substation (TSS) which will provide power for the existing London Underground services – as well as for the new and improved Piccadilly Line services and the new HS2 Euston Station.

In June, we will be decommissioning the existing TSS welfare building located in Melton Street. All of these works will take place within our existing site hoardings.

Manhole Works

Manholes allow access to below ground level, this is to install a new sewer connection along Cobourg Street. These works are continuing behind our hoardings.



Images of manholes

London Underground Chamber Ducting Works

London Underground are continuing their essential chamber ducting works which will support Transport for London's Piccadilly Line Upgrade.

South Cobourg Street footpath will reopen on completion of these works in late **June 2024**. This is later than we previously communicated due to securing design approval.

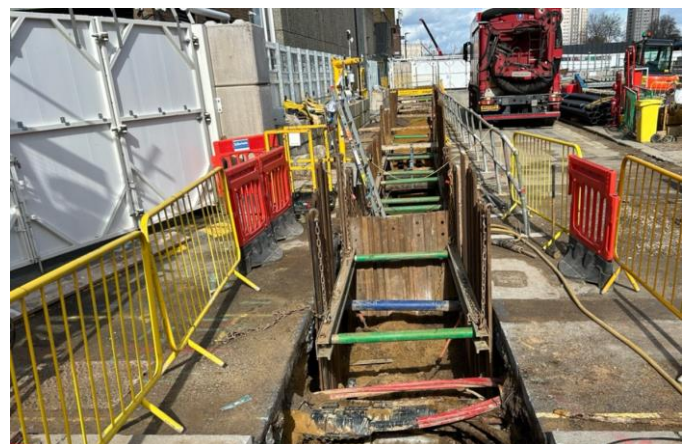


Image of chamber ducting works

Temporary Staff Entrance - Cobourg Street

From **22 April 2024** staff will begin using the new site building at the former Maria Fidelis school. This will allow us to remove the NTH building on Hampstead Road and accommodation at the Traction Substation site. The primary entrance and exit point for the new building at Maria Fidelis will be on Hampstead Road.

Due to the works taking place as detailed previously (NTH cabin removals and Manhole works) staff will need to use a temporary entrance on Cobourg Street by the junction of Starcross Street until late 2024



Visualisation of temporary staff entrance

Installation of staff gate

The installation of the gate will begin from **Monday 22 April 2024** for approximately **5 days (dates subject to change)**.

Working hours will be 8am to 6pm Monday to Friday (with set-up and close-down activities one hour before and after normal working hours)

Mitigation

We have spoken with neighbouring residents about the temporary entrance and to minimise disruption to them. We will implement the following measures:

- MDjv staff will be asked not to loiter or congregate outside the entrance.
- No smoking or vaping will be permitted by the entrance.
- Customer Experience Representatives will continue to be situated outside the entrance to respond to immediate concerns.
- There will also be a 24/7 security presence inside the security cabin.

Staff using the entrance will follow the pedestrian route below, avoiding properties along Cobourg Street. We will monitor use of the entrance and implement further mitigation measures as needed.



Image showing staff route to Cobourg Street staff entrance

Skanska Costain STRABAG joint venture (SCSjv) Work Updates

SCSjv is one of HS2's works contractor building the railway structures and foundations in the Euston Approaches, between London Zoo car park and Hampstead Road.

Utility works on Stanhope Street and Park Village East - 8 April to 28 June 2024

On 8 April, SCSjv will begin installing ducts in the road and footpath outside their site access gate at the junction of Stanhope Street and Park Village East. Working hours will be **Monday to Friday, 8am to 6pm** (with set-up and close-down activities one hour before and after normal working hours).



Red section on map showing location of works

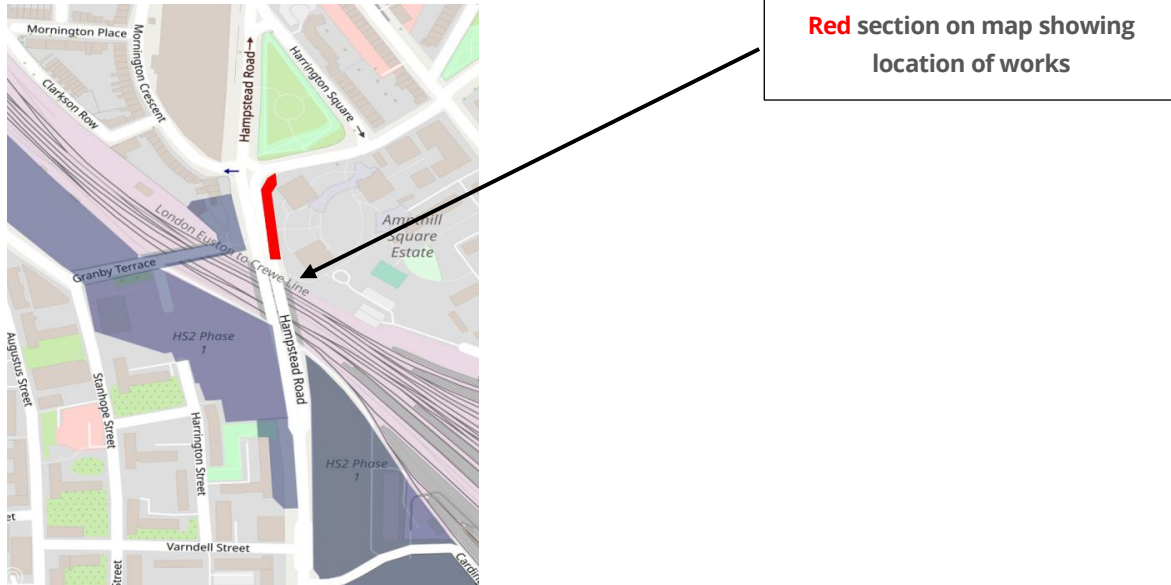
Traffic Management

To complete this work, there will be a closure of the southbound lane and footpath. SCSJV will install a 2-way set of temporary traffic lights to control the flow of traffic with crossing points at either end of the work site to divert pedestrians to the opposite footpath.

Hampstead Road temporary utilities diversion works – April 2024 to April 2025

Preparatory works will take place from **25 March to 15 April 2024**

SCSjv will remove a section of the TfL cycle lane and temporarily relocate the pedestrian crossing prior to carrying out utility works in this location.



Utilities diversion work on Hampstead Road

Planned utility works taking place on Hampstead Road from April 2024 for 12 months. The works are detailed in the below table.

Description	Date	Delivered by
Northbound cycle lane closure (current traffic management set up)	2 April 2024 to 17 June 2024	SCSjv
Southbound lane closure on Hampstead Road between the junctions of Cardington Street and Prince of Wales Passage. Please refer to page 3 for location map.	22 April to 19 July 2024	MDjv
Northbound and southbound lane closure on Hampstead Road – a lane in each direction will remain open to traffic	17 June 2024 to 29 August 2024	SCSjv
Road closure on Varndell Street and northbound lane closure on Hampstead Road	03 July 2024 to 06 November 2024	SCSjv
Southbound lane, cycle lane and footpath closure on Hampstead Road	27 August 2024 to 09 October 2024	SCSjv
Southbound lane, cycle lane and footpath closure on Hampstead Road	29 August 2024 to 01 October 2024	SCSjv
Lane closure on Varndell Street and southbound lane closure on Hampstead Road	07 November 2024 to 09 April 2025	SCSjv

National Temperance Hospital

Following the removal of the NTH site cabins in May (see left of top picture), and working with local young people and partners, we will begin engagement to design and expand the NTH Gardens opened in summer 2023.



Images showing the NTH Gardens

Former Maria Fidelis Outside Space

From April 2024 the former Maria Fidelis school Outside Space will be managed by a local a charity which supports women to feel empowered, connected, well and safe.

The space will be occupied by growing beds where users can learn how to grow vegetables, fruits, small flowers and plants, and will also be used as a wellbeing tool.

Information Events

Information events about these spaces will be taking place over spring in the local community. Please look out for future communications which will provide details of how you can get involved and provide valuable feedback for these projects. For more information please visit: [Temporary uses at Euston - HS2](#)

Euston Square Gardens West

Following further feedback from the community, the design for Euston Square Gardens West was amended.

From our consultations we have listened and learned by:

- Increasing the lawn and open green space to allow for additional planting and places to sit
- Reduced the amount of hard standing space
- Increased the wildflower turf to help with biodiversity.

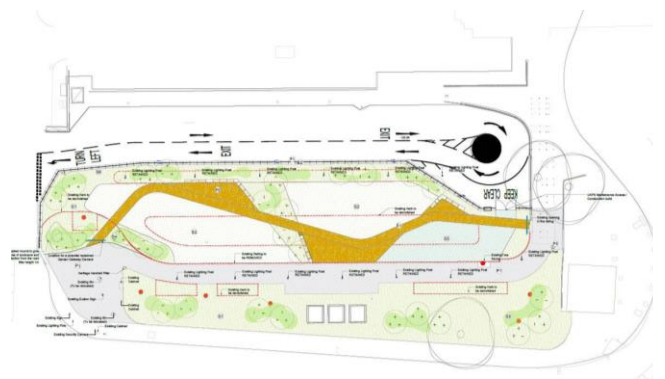


Image: Euston Square Gardens West design

Decommissioning Southern end of Euston Square Garden West.

From **late April 2024**, works to decommission and install the gardens will begin. The works will continue for approximately 10 weeks. Working hours will be **Monday – Friday, 8am to 6pm** (with set-up and close-down activities one hour before and after normal working hours). On occasions it may be necessary to **work at night between 10pm and 5am** to limit the impact on pedestrians and pedestrian flow in the area.

Drop-in sessions

We have recently completed three in-person drop-in sessions to speak with you about current and upcoming works in the area. We plan to carry out more of these sessions throughout the year, so look out for invitations for this soon.



Images of an engagement session in 2024

Virtual drop-in sessions

Every month, MDjv's Engagement Team hosts a virtual drop-in session where individuals can book a 20-minute timeslot to find out about current and upcoming works.

Upcoming session dates are detailed below and can be booked via the HS2 website:

<https://www.hs2.org.uk/events/hs2-mdjv-euston-station-virtual-drop-ins/>

Thursday 18 April	Thursday 16 May	Thursday 20 June	Thursday 18 July
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Keeping you engaged

We will keep in contact with you regarding works and engagement opportunities taking place in the area via the below methods.



Newsletters

Community Notices

Stakeholder Meetings

Virtual 1-2-1 Meetings

Pop-ups

HS2 Helpdesk

Keeping you Informed

Please note that changes to the programme may occur and if these changes are likely to cause any disturbance, we will write to you again.

Keeping you informed

We are committed to keeping you informed about work on HS2. This includes ensuring you know what to expect and when to expect it, as well as how we can help you.

The Residents' Commissioner

The independent Residents' Commissioner oversees and monitors our commitments to you.

The commissioner's reports and our responses can be found at www.gov.uk/government/collections/hs2-ltd-residents-commissioner

The Residents' Commissioner makes sure we fulfil the commitments in the HS2 Community Engagement Strategy (<https://bit.ly/3oOA25j>).

The Residents' Commissioner can be contacted on: residentscommissioner@hs2.org.uk

Construction Commissioner

The independent Construction Commissioner regularly meets our Chief Executive Officer to raise any concerns or emerging trends across HS2.

The Construction Commissioner's role has been developed to monitor the way we manage and respond to construction complaints.

The commissioner mediates on disputes about construction, involving individuals and organisations, that we can't resolve. The commissioner advises members of the public about how to make a complaint about construction.

The Construction Commissioner can be contacted on: complaints@hs2-cc.org.uk

Property and compensation

You can find out about HS2 and properties along the route by visiting: www.gov.uk/government/collections/hs2-property

Find out if you can claim compensation at: www.gov.uk/claim-compensation-if-affected-by-hs2

Holding us to account

If you are unhappy for any reason you can make a complaint by contacting the HS2 Helpdesk. For more details on our complaints process, please visit: www.hs2.org.uk/in-your-area/contact-us/how-to-complain/

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